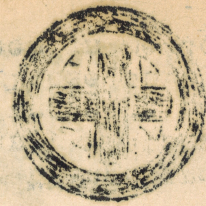


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President's Message

WHAT FLOOR ARE YOU ON?

Now there was a man on the first floor who didn't seem to have much moral responsibility. He went on his way through life only doing for himself and not caring for others and their problems. He didn't see to care if his fellow man enjoyed good health or whether he was in a bad financial condition, etc.

Now this Masseur took all he could out of life and gave as little as possible in return. He didn't care too much if he helped those who came to him sick or not, just as long as he got his money.

There was also a man on the second floor and this man was the kind of man that believes in live and let live. He felt that he had a certain responsibility to live up to, but he believed in taking care of his self first, and then others IF he had time. He only did for others when he felt pressed to it. So this Masseur went through life doing what he felt was just to his fellow man. He would take a patient, give him what he would call a fair treatment, but he never gave him any extra time regardless of his condition.

Now! There was a man on the third floor who felt that he had certain responsibility to his fellow man to his country, and to his God! This Masseur felt that there was never too much he could do for his patients, his country or his God. With this thought in mind let us help to carry out the Christmas Spirit of "PEACE ON EARTH GOOD WILL TO MAN". Let us reverently remember that we are celebrating the BIRTHDAY OF CHRIST which took place on Christmas day so many years ago. Let us also remember his teaching "It is more blessed to give than to receive", so we may help to make this world a better place to live.

Hoping this Christmas season finds everyone in good health and may you enjoy a Happy Christmas and a successful and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely, Arthur Mann

Thought for today: Phillipians 4:8-9

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Those things which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me do: and the God of peace shall be with you.

Attention Please All Masseurs and Massages:

WHAT IS YOUR GREAT CONCERN?

Is it how much money you can make for your selfish interest? Or what group you can join to have a so called good time with social gatherings and big dinners, with games, concerts, etc? Have you never thought of the greatest need of all, legislation to protect your healing art? Are you interested in National Freedom of choice in America? In individuals being able to choose the type of healing art they may see fit. Regardless of the art he may see fit to choose, the freedom of choice should be left to the sufferer. Do I hear you say, "Yes we need legislation?" Then you say I have good friends in the A.M.A. who send me some patients, which helps me financially and I don't want to do anything to hurt them, so I just don't come out openly and say or hint anything about it." I just sit idle and hope if any good thing comes out of Nazareth I will be able to ride in on the coattail of those who have fought for my rights. Anyway, I don't think that it is as bad as some try to make believe it is. Here, I would like to say, all organizations should have the freedom of their fellowman at heart.

If all the nature healing arts would work together for national protection, as the National Health Federation, 2452 Vanness Ave, San Francisco 9, Calif., are doing we soon may have a surviving chance. At the present there is a group here and there, all pulling in different directions. It makes me think of a tug of war, each trying to pull the other across the mark. In our case the mark is legislation. Are we going to unite our efforts and be legislated in our field? Or are we going to pull apart with new organizations and be legislated out of our profession as Masseurs and all that go with it.

I wish to say that we are not bitter against the Medical men, for they are sorely needed! LET THEM ALONE, BUT SEE TO IT THEY LET US ALONE, THAT WE MAY BE RIGHTLY RECOGNIZED IN THE HEALING ARTS! Let us unite our efforts for the good of suffering humans and be boosters, not quitters. WHAT IS YOUR GREAT CONCERN? I hope it spells LEGISLATION.

EDITORIAL

As we step onto the threshold of a new year we want to thank all of you for your patience with your new editor, yes, we thank those who have sent constructive criticism, especially those who have done it in a cordial manner. With this issue Ruth Williams of Kennewick takes over the typing and mimeographing so all the tired editor will have to do is lay back with his feet on the desk and arrange the copy and then mail the papers out the first of the month. But, Fellowmembers, we must have copy before we can edit it. A new piece of equipment, a particularly gratifying case, changes or additions in family ties, new location, etc., these and many more all make news. Let's have it.

Your editor has been appointed by state President Arthur Mann to get a monthly article from Washington to our National Editor for the "The Masseur" and we are confident you will all co-operate. Two of these articles have been received thus far and we look over each mail for others.

You members who never get to a state, local or national meeting this is your chance to make a contribution to the A.A.M.M. and we will all feel better acquainted even tho we have not met personally. Choose your own subject, preferable not over 300 words and mail it to J.L. Hatch, 120 Ave "D", Snohomish, Wash.

The STAFF WISHES YOU ONE AND ALL A REALLY HAPPY, PROSPEROUS AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR.

OREGON NEWS!
(South of the Border, Down Oregon Way.)

With the coming of a new year, one stops to reminisce of the happenings of the past 12 months and wonders just what the future holds for the new year, making plans for the future, eliminating past mistakes, and after taking an inventory of the check book, feel lucky if one finds himself in the black and not in the red.

It's only a matter of a few short weeks when the annual life insurance comes due, fire and accident premiums, to meet taxes, plus the federal and state income taxes, all of which, can be added to the head aches from New Years night. (Whatalife).

One thing is certain, they can shut off therein barrel any time, as we've more than had our share for this year.

Have been wondering when the new 1956 Registry will make it's appearance.

EXTRA SPECIAL According to the finding of our State Attorney General at Salem, all massuers and massueses (in good standing) will have their \$10.00 applied to their account starting as of July 1st. 1955 and ending June 30th 1956. For the balance of 1956 a charge of \$5.00 is made bringing the balance of the year to Dec. 31st, 1956. Now here is the sticker. This \$5.00 and your application must be in the St. Bd. of Health office as of Dec. 31st 1955 or beginning Jan 1st 1956 you will have to take another EXAMINATION to qualify. So better hurry and get that \$5.00 and application blank filled out and get in under the Grandfather's Clause or you'll have to take the examination plus the \$5.00. (Hope this A.A.M.M. gets in the mail for all members to see before 1956.)

As a gentle reminder to all, our next meeting will be held Jan. 8th, 1956 at the Chicken in the Rough Restaurant, 1 mile north of Milwaukee, Ore. on hwy 99 E. Anyone needing transportation, please contact Pres. Scheil for transportation. He has several taxis for rent., No. CA3-3624 Portland, Ore.

In closing, this writer wishes all and sundry, the very best of health, wealth, and prosperity for the coming year, and here's hoping we'll all push ahead in our chosen lines of work with a greater and better A.A.M.M.

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Oregon Chapter A.A.M.M.
C.H. Tyler

The following letter is a copy of one our aggressive fellow member, Jess Williams sends out after a trip. He informs us that you are at liberty to use it also. Perhaps you have a member getting idea, if you have, send it to your editor.

Dear Practitioner:

Recently my wife and I were passing through your town on our return from a convention of the A.A.M.M. We came on your name in the phone book and felt that we would like to write to you and ask you to join with us in our organization.

I am sure that you would find it a pleasure to be associated with our group. We have found the fellowship alone worth many times the cost of the dues. I am sending you a little booklet that will explain the purpose of our Association more fully than I could do it, also an application blank which I hope you will see fit to fill out and send back to me by return mail. Hoping to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours, Jess Williams

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SEATTLE LOCAL MEETS JAN 15, 1956

Regina Williams, Owner of the B etter Health Salon, 5238 University Way Seattle, will be hostess to the Seattle Local on Sunday, Jan 15, 1956 at 2 P.M. at the home of her brother, Roger Orr 5533 26th Street N.E. Anyone not taking their car should take the Ravenna bus on Third Ave Take bus #8 , get off at 55th and go $\frac{1}{2}$ block north. Lets all be there at the first meeting of the new year.

Dear Editor:

I wonder if you would be so kind to give me a bit of advice about how to treat this case? Recently a woman patient complained of such severe pain in one leg she could scarcely walk. The leg was sore up to the knee . She has taken treatments from someone who gave the massage on her foot and lower leg, however she has not seemed to get any relief from the pain. There is slight swelling and the foot is feverish. How would you sugest I go about treating this condition ?

Sincerely, G .F.K.

(Editors note: Will some of you good members PLEASE help me with an answer of how YOU would treat the above case? We will print the best explained treatment, send, to us, in the next issue.)

NEWS

Ruth Williams had the honor of being asked to give a lecture and demonstration on Massage , to the COLUMBIA BASIN JUNIOR COLLEGE CLASS IN NURSING. The half hour allotted to the question and answer period stretched into two hours and still they begged for more. It was very pleasing to have these young people so interested in Massage. Members, WE ARE ON OUR WAY TO THE TOP!

Little bird told us that Carrol Niedfelt is in for something pleassent at the next Seattle meeting!

Hello Spokane! Its been so-o-o long since we've had a nice article from any of you. How about one for the next issue?